

LEGEND OF THE GARTER.

Contradictory Versions of the Foundation of the Order.

I knew, as every schoolboy knows, the legend that a certain Countess of Salisbury dropped her garter at a ball and that the king, picking it up amid the smiles of courtiers, handed it to her with the happy and now immortal phrase, "Honi soit qui mal y pense." But this legend, I recalled, had had to go the way of the story of King Alfred and the cakes, the story of William Tell and the apple and many other pretty fairy tale of history. At last I went to Sir Nicholas Harris Nicolas' "History of the Orders of Knighthood," where I found a delightful mass of contradictory authority produced. The tale of the origin and name of the order were first told by Polydore Vergil (1470-1555), who wrote in the time of Henry VII. and Henry VIII. and who said that the lady was "the queen or the king's mistress." Segar, whose work, "Honor, Military and Civil," appeared in 1802, 250 years after the order was founded, was the first to say that it was the Countess of Salisbury. Other writers say that it was the Countess of Kent. John Anstis (1698-1744), garter king of arms, who published several heraldic works, ridicules the whole story. He confesses that an author of Henry VI.'s time, who wrote in Latin and whose work is now entirely lost, upheld it. Raphael Holinshed, a chronicler, who died in 1580, tells the story in detail and says the lady was the queen, which surely rather spoils the significance of the legend. Sir Harris Nicolas himself thinks the story is not improbable, although he urges the fact that Jean Froissart, who is the best contemporary authority on the reign of Edward III., while he has much to say about the order in his hundredth chapter, does not refer to it, and Nicholas admits that this tells very much against the supposed origin of the story, but Froissart may have thought the matter too trivial to relate. By the way, I feel very much aggrieved that G. C. Macaulay in the abridged volume of Froissart that he published through the Macmillans should have ruthlessly cut this hundredth chapter.

It is not, I may add, claimed that the incident caused the foundation of the Order of the Garter, but only that it gave Edward III. the idea for naming the order which he had resolved to found in any case. In the absence of any other solution than that which rests on these shadowy foundations I think we may still go on accepting the pretty legend, but I repeat my expression of dissatisfaction with the popular histories that they should leave such matters as this severely alone.—London Sphere.

One of the Wonders of Physics.

An experienced mechanic who was asked what he regarded as the most wonderful thing for general utility replied: "The trucking of a car wheel is the most wonderful thing to me in the whole range of science and invention. Here are two rails, uphill and downhill, round the sharp curves and along false tangents, and upon them fly at more than a mile a minute, without jar or jolt, a dozen heavy cars drawn by an engine weighing sixty tons. Passengers realize no danger, yet there is only the little dangle of a wheel between them and eternity. An inch and a half of steel turned up on the inner side of the wheel holds up the whole train as securely to the rails as if it were bolted there in grooves."

Hide Your Fruit Trees.

As lawn specimens fruit trees are nearly always disappointing. They have more insect enemies and fungous diseases than first class ornamental trees and shrubs. If you spray them they are unsightly; if you do not your lawn is covered with wormy fruits, which look bad and smell worse. The peach is a short lived, delicate tree which is particularly subject to San Jose scale. Plums and cherries are sure to yield wormy fruit unless you jar the curculios out of them long before breakfast or unless you let the chickens run beneath the trees. Both are violent suppositions for a home lawn.—Country Life in America.

A Natural Inference.

For no other reason than that his poultry book told him to feed him he slavishly fed time and asked himself no questions. The hens were variously affected. The Leghorns found difficulty in keeping their hot Italian blood from open revolt. The Cochins, with true oriental apathy, said it was fate any way. But the old Plymouth Rock had the American sense of humor. "He thinks we're going to lay bricks," she cackled.—Puck.

No Back Action.

Mr. Gladstone knew how to admit that he was in the wrong. On one occasion he did so candidly and handsomely, as becomes a gentleman. But he preferred to keep clear of the necessity for apologies and had scant belief in their efficacy. "You can't unpull a man's nose," he once said to his private secretary, Sir Algernon West.

Knew How It Was.

"I presume you spend all you make?" "No; I don't spend a tenth of it." "Then you must have a nice little balance in the bank?" "None, not a cent." "Shake, old chap, I'm married myself."—Houston Post.

Had Heard Papa Say It.

The Schoolteacher-Willie, can you tell me the meaning of leisure? The Bright Pupil—It's the place where married people repent.—Brooklyn Eagle.

Power exercised with violence has seldom been of long duration, but temper and moderation generally produce permanence in all things.—Seneca.

Library Notes.

F. Hopkinson Smith shows large growth as a writer in his new book, "The Tides of Barnegat," which has been running as a serial in Scribner's through the past winter and spring. His usual light and graceful humor is lacking, and in its place is strength and power, with beauty of construction both in plot and diction.

There is a fine contrast between two sisters, one the personification of gay, worldly selfishness, the other perishing in a great but mistaken self-immolation. Finer still is the picture of rugged, honest Captain Holt, contrasted with Dr. John, quiet, refined, sympathetic, both life-savers, the one on the stormy beach, the other in his well-ordered hospital. The principal scenes are laid along the Barnegat shore, and the descriptions, both of scenery and people, argue an intimate acquaintance with the same on the part of the author.

Dr. Grenfell writes once more of the deep-sea fisher folk of Labrador, calling his new book "Off the Rocks." We recognize the same spirit of the man as heretofore, courageous, unselfish, devoted—in short, the spirit of the master shining through those tales of the plain, hardy men of the sea with whom he chooses to fast his lot.

"Concerning Paul and Fiametta," is the delightful sequel to a most delightful story, "A Romance of the Nursery," by Mrs. Harker. The English children herein described are original, interesting and lovable, and Mrs. Kate Douglas Wiggin describes them as "children who sometimes lapsed from the highest virtue, but never from good breeding." She considers one of the chief charms of these books the fact that they are "thoroughly English—as English as a hedgehog or a bit of pink hawthorn."

Oiled Road Experiment.

The Arlington Observer says: "The much-talked-of experiment of oiling macadam streets to protect and preserve them and keep down the dust is now in progress. Street Commissioner McQuoid put a gang of men at work on Thursday morning cleaning up a stretch of Kearny avenue in front of the town hall, and sprinkling the street with crude oil. This is the first time the use of oil has been tried on the macadam roads in the town. Persons along the line where the oil is being used complain that the smell is worse than the dust it helps to keep down. There is also much objection because the oil will be carried into the houses on the shoes of the children and older folks."

Reception.

Freda Baldwin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Baldwin of Bloomfield avenue, gave a party to several friends on Saturday night. Those present were Lillian and Beatrice Beyer, William A. Matthews, Hazel Haviland, Helen Jaeger, Ruth and Gladys Haviland, Marion Hall, Carrie Jaeger, Charles Vennor, Jr., Nellie Fornoff and Lada Cockeair.

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NOTICE OF ADJOURNMENT.

Notice is hereby given that at the request of persons interested the public sale of real estate, to make the unpaid taxes assessed on land, tenements, hereditaments, and real estate situated in the Town of Bloomfield, County of Essex and State of New Jersey, in the year 1906, was adjourned from Tuesday, August 28, 1906, to Tuesday, September 11, 1906, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, at the office of the Town Collector in the Bloomfield National Bank building in the Town of Bloomfield, county and State aforesaid.

FRANK FOSTER, Collector.

PROPOSALS.

Sealed proposals will be received at the office of the Town Clerk of the Town of Bloomfield, N. J., until Monday, September 17, 1906, at 2 P. M., for the construction of a sewer in Hinch place, to connect with the sewer already constructed in Myrtle street.

The price bid must include the furnishing of all material and labor, also the cost of excavating, refilling and removal of all surplus material. The following are the approximate quantities: 20 in. feet 8 inch tile pipe, 2 man holes, 1 flush tank, 66 "Y" on 8 inch pipe. Plans and specifications may be seen at the office of Ernest Baschlin, Town Surveyor, Bloomfield National Bank Building, Bloomfield, N. J.

Each bid must be accompanied with a certified check for \$75 drawn to the order of the Town of Bloomfield, as a guarantee of good faith of the bidder. The Town Council reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Each proposal must be sealed and endorsed "Hinch Place Sewer Proposal," and addressed to Wm. L. Johnson, Town Clerk. By order of the Town Council, WM. L. JOHNSON, Town Clerk.

PROPOSALS.

Sealed proposals will be received at the office of the Town Clerk of Bloomfield, N. J., until Monday, September 17, 1906, at 2 P. M., for the construction of a sewer in Broad and Warren streets, to connect with the sewer already constructed in Broad and Pitt streets.

The price bid must include the furnishing of all material and labor, also the cost of excavating, refilling and removal of all surplus material. The following are the approximate quantities: 4 man holes, 1 flush tank, 80 feet 8 inch tile pipe, 13 "Y" on 8 inch pipe, 66 feet 18 inch tile pipe, 25 "Y" on 18 inch pipe. Plans and specifications may be seen at the office of Ernest Baschlin, Town Surveyor, Bloomfield National Bank Building, Bloomfield, N. J.

Each bid must be accompanied with a certified check for \$100 drawn to the order of the Town of Bloomfield, as a guarantee of good faith of the bidder. The Town Council reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Each proposal must be sealed and endorsed "Broad and Warren Streets Sewer Proposal," and addressed to Wm. L. Johnson, Town Clerk. By order of the Town Council, WM. L. JOHNSON, Town Clerk.

The Erie Tunnel.

The headings in the new Guyard tunnel being built by the Erie Railroad for its low-grade short-cut double track freight line met in the 3,000 foot stretch west of the Otisville shaft on September 4. The shaft from which these borings were made is 1,800 feet from the east end of the tunnel in which borings are also making from either end with the expectation that these headings will meet in a short time. The rapidity with which the work has been carried on indicates that the full bore, which is a trifle over a mile in length, will be completed in six months, and the entire tunnel, sheathed and ready for traffic, will be turned over by the contractors by July 1, 1907.

This tunnel connects the Erie main line with the surface road which is building from the exit of the tunnel west of the present main line to Highland Mills, where it meets the Newburgh branch. While this route does not shorten the distance between New York and Port Jervis, it so materially lowers the grade, something like 150 feet where the tunnel is cut through the Shawangunk Mountains, that a material decrease in expense of operation and increase in time efficiency is expected. The entire cost of this Erie and Jersey road will be about \$10,000,000, the tunnel alone costing about \$2,000,000.

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